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ASIA THE KEY WORLD

PARIS, OCT. 28. R. BIRLA, THE INDIAN EMPLOYERS DELEGATE TO THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE TO-DAY CALLED UPON THE REPRESENTATIVES OF FORTY-FIVE MEMBER STATES OF THE LLD. TO RECOGNISE "THAT THE FREEDOM OF THE PEOPLE OF ASIATIC COUNTRIES IS THE FOUNDA-TION OF FUTURE PLANNING OF THE WORLD AS THIS ALONE THE SOLID STRUCTURE OF WORLD PEACE AND PROSPERITY CAN BE BULLT."

"We must choose," he said, bestow not only political "a peaceful world which will peace, but economic peace on

Whilst recognising the gravi-

ty of the situation facing

Europe Mr. Birla stressed the

need of giving greater attention than was being done to the complex problem of the Asiatic countries where the after-

effects of the war had not been

China, Burme and Malaya had

undergone the ravages of war ho

THREAT INDONESIANS

BATAVIA, OCT. 23. THE UNRECOGNISED SOEK ARNO "GOVERNMENT" YES-TERDAY INFORMED LT.-GEN. SIR PHILIP CHRISTI-SON THAT IT CANNOT GUARANTEE THE SAFETY OF 250,000 DUTCH AND EURASIANS IN INDONESIA AND ASSERTED THAT ENDLESS BLOODSHED WOULD RESULT IF MORE DUTCH TROOPS LAND. DR. SOEKARNO IN A LETTER ASKED FOR CLARIFICA-TION OF THE BRITISH ARMY AIMS AND PROTEST ED AGAINST BRITISH INVOLVEMENT IN INTERN-AL POLITICS BY "SUP PORTING AND BUTTRES-SING THE DUTCH AGAINST US."

Batavia, Oct. 23. British spokesman of the | Associated Press. Allied Headquarters said that eleven Dutch officers were killed by a mob in the mountains be-Batavia and Bandoeng while nine Dutch nationals were killed by Indonesian extremists | after being removed from Builden- ! zorg prison camp.- Assciated Press.

GANGS ACTIVE side British-controlled cities Indicate that Europeans and Eurasians continue to be rounded up by ganga, said a 23rd British Division spokesman, quoted by the Netherlands News Agency to-night .--Renter.

Dr. Sockarno has arrived in Batavia. He stated that he had been touring the country, and be lieved that he had succeeded in

EMPEROR WORSHIP

TOKYO, OCT. 23. THE EMPEROR SYSTEM BECAME AN AUTIVE FUNDA MENTAL POLITICAL ISSUE TO-DAY WHEN TWO FLED. GLING PARTIES DEMANDED ITS RETENTION AS PLANKS IN THEIR PLATFORMS.

The preparatory committee of a party seeking reform of old-time political purity elements listed two planks: unqualified defence of the emperor system and a determined fight against both communism and liberalism.

uphoid and defend Japan's structure, including the Emperor institution.-Associated Press.

OH YEAH! Prince Fumimaro Konoye, in a statement to-day, said: "Emperor Hirohito has appointed us to secure stronger Parliament, capable of being a guiding influence in Japan's political affairs."

The Prince said that the creased power of the Diet will be tarize Netherlands coloninis. a safeguard against the "future misuse of the Constitution."-Associated Press.

Paris, Oct. 23. Radical leader and Prime Minis- here. ter of France at the time of Munich and the outbreak of war night.

however that he had been elect- Associated Press.

A further official statement elected.

It was officially stated tonight, again, that he had been defented. There the matters remain

for the mement. Daladier had a stormy electoral campaign in his home department of Vaucluse where there was much throwing of tomatoes and rotten eggs .-Reuter.

PHILIPPINE FUNDS FREED

Washington: Oct. 23. A bill freeing U.S.\$71,000,000 in Philippines funds frozen in the United States was approved unanimously to-day by " the House ways and means committee. The measure, already approved by the Senate. Is expected to come before the House in a few days. Resident Commissioner Carlos Romulo said the Philippines' need of the funds is "most urgent."-Associat. ed Press.

Washington, Oct. 23.

calming down the extremists.-

SEMARANG DAMPED

DOWN There was comparative quietness in the Dutch island of Java where Gurkha troops were to-day in full control of Semarang, the

third largest city in Java. The Indonesian Nationalists still hold the mountainous country outside its walls, a Netherlands Reports from areas in Java out- News Agency despatch from Batavia reported.

Following the agreement between the allied troops, Nationalists and Japanese, the Japanese forces will be entirely withdrawn from Semarang while all Indonesians in the city, except the regular police who are cooperating with the Gurkhaa, will lay down their arms.

AMBARAWA FATE UNKNOWN Gurkha troops have taken oypr the allied prisoners of war and internee camps in Semarang itself, but news was still awaited of the inmates of the camp of Ambarawa, twenty miles South of the city and other places in that area.

Mystery surrounds the activities of Doctor Sockarno, President of the "Indonesian Republic" who has been absent from Batavia for eighteen days. Doctor Socbardjo. Foreign Minister of the Republican Government told Reuter in Batavia to-day that the President is resting up country. It may be a month before he comes back.

This statement was followed contradictory reports which have been sweeping Batavia for week to the effect that one, he had been kidnapped and two, that he had gone into the interior in The "Liberal party" vowed to an attempt to check disorders .-

M. E. D. Denning, chief political Protest adviser to Lord Louis Mountbatten, arrived to-day to investigate the Java political situation.

Some sources said the British advised the Dutch not to sand troops in large numbers at present. They said the Dutch had complied with British suggestions to demili-BATAVIA, OCT. 23.
BRIGADIER ROBIN PAPE.

AMERICAN LIAISON OFFICER ATTACHED TO THE SOUTH-EAST ASIA COMMAND HEAD QUARTERS, ARRIVED HERE TO-DAY FOR A FIRST LOOK INTO THE TENSE POLITICAL

SITUATION IN JAVA. He emphasised that he was Herewith the record of the merely an observer declaring that

Mr. William Foote, American Press. Consul-General before the Japanese invasion, arrived in Batavia was declared defeated late last yesterday, and began a round of interviews both with the Dutch It was later officially stated, and the Indonesian leaders.—

LINER SAILS The giant Dutch liner "New former Axis states are the conlater said that this was a mis- Amsterdam" is sailing for the cern and responsibility of the The Communists have told the take but an official announce- Netherlands Indies to-morrow Big Three and that the conclus American Naval officers at Chefoo GET TO THE HOUSE OF ment shortly afternoon to-day with a large number of Dutch sion of any long term economic that they did not object to Ameri- COMMONS. declared that he had been troops on board. — Associated agreement should be considered cans in China so long as they did

Good News For R.A.F.

London, Oct. 23. Wing-Commander John Strachey, during the debate on demobilisation, disclosed that a revised R.A.F. programme would permit not Group 28 to be out by June next but up to Group 82. This change would tax the resources of the R.A.F. to the utmost.--Reuter.

WASHINGTON, OCT. 28. LT.-GEN. ALBERT C. WEDE-MEYER TOLD A NEWS CON FERENCE TO-DAY THAT JAPAN SURRENDERED JUST IN TIME TO HEAD OFF A CHINESE OFFENSIVE DRIV-ING TO THE COAST TO LIBERATE CANTON AND HONG KONG.

He said the jump-off was set for August 18. "We hoped to take these objectives by October 15," he said.

The military force included 20 divisions of American-trained Chinese-commanded troops, supported by the 10th and 14th air forces and United States navy air elements.

Wedemoyer said he had found Generalissimo Chiang Kal-shek friendly and cooperative. "I think he is straightforward and sincere in his desire to help with Britain, his people," the general said. He said the Generalissimo and

Madame Chiang are planning trip to the United States. He said he didn't blame Major General Chennault for not liking to be superseded in command when Liout.-General Stratemeyer arrived in the China theatre as air commander.—Associated Press.

London, Oct. 23. A Foreign Office spokesman detailed the British and the United States protest to Russia against the Soviet's proposed trade pacts with Rumania and Bugaria, as well as Hungary.

The basis of the protest, according to the spokesman, was that it FOUR WEEKS AGO. was improper for one member of the Allied Control Commission to been landed in Tientsin, outskirts negotiate pacts with the enemy of Peiping and in a small island Princes Takamatsu Highashieven before the peace treaties off Chefoo, via American air naval were worked out

mrian and Rumanian pacts were on September 30. last twenty-four hours in the the United States had no political less drastic than that of Hungary electoral life of Edouard Dala- interests in Indonesia and that no which would give Russia fifty per in scattered sectors from Tsingtao dier. The sixty-one year-old American troops would be sent control of all vital parts of Hungarian economy.—Associated and Tientsin.

> U.S. ATTITUDE Washington, Oct. 23. The United States State Department announced that the United States has made it clear by the Big Three.—Reuter.

WASHINGTON, OCT. 23. THE NAVY SECRETARY, MR. JAMES FORRESTAL, TOLD THE SENATE MILITARY COMMITTEE THAT THE PROPOSED MERGER OF THE WAR AND NAVY DE-PARTMENTS IS REVOLUTIONARY AND UNSOUND. THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY OFFERED AS A SUB-STITUTE THE POST-WAR PLAN OF THE ARMED FORCES. CALLING FOR A CONTINUATION OF THE PRESENT WAR AND NAVY DEPARTMENTS AND THE CREATION OF A NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL.

The President would preside | idea. over the Council which would Mr. Forrestal said that he Labour Unions held a meeting in

comprise the Secretaries of favoured a unified leadership which they presented a series of State for War, the Navy and but argued that a merger would demands to the British Military the Chairman of the proposed concentrate too much on one Administration, including the re- The arrival in Nanking from National Security Resources Secretary. He said that under lease of ten Union members who Board.

Board.

Board.

Resources Secretary. He said that under lease of ten Union members who resided by the police and of Time-Life magazines, is resulted by the policeman of Time-Life magazines. President Trumon has noming. The backers of the merger have been able to wage its of who, allegedly mistreated the terview with General Ho Ying- and 1,503 are missing. Associated Press. throwing his weight behind the sociated Press.

Finance Expert's

NEW YORK, OCT. 23. THE DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATION-AL FINANCE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, IN A BULLETIN ENTITLED THE POUND STERLING AND THE STERLING AREA AFTER WORLD WAR NO. 2 STATES THAT IF NO ADEQUATE FINANCIAL AS-SISTANCE IS GRANTED TO BRITAIN, SHE WILL BE COMPELLED TO ADOPT THE BEST SUITED MEA-SURE FOR HER OWN NEEDS.

THE MOST IMPORTANT MEASURES WOULD BE: ONE, REFUSAL TO RATIFY THE BRETTON-WOODS AGREEMENTS: TWO. DEVALUATION OF THE POUND STERLING: THREE, CONTINUING AND EVEN WIDENING THE STERLING AREAS, AND RAISING WALLS AROUND IT BY ENACTING MORE RIGID FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESTRICTIONS.

if adequate financial assistance effect on the foreign trade of is granted by the United States the United States and, ultimate- blocking by Britain of one thopduring the next two to three ly, on the value of the United sand million Sterling of India. years, Britain will able gradual- States Dollar in terms of gold. assets accumulated during the ly to extricate herself from her He points out that one of the war. The Empire dollar-nool should difficult post-war position and principal aims of the British be dissolved, he said. Foreign exadopt the principles embodied Government was to prevent an change that had accrued to India

Discussing the fliture in- the Pound at about the present India would be able to purchase ternational value of the Pound level, adding that the exchange more freely in the world markets Pound Sterling is the key Dollars in the long run will de- towards the expension of world currency of the Sterling area pend on the competitive position trade and prosperity." and hence its international of the United States and Brivalue is of considerable impor- tain, which in turn will be detance as it determines the gold termined by several factors of

The pound will exercise a very strong influence on the currencies of some western European countries and of other countries which have recently concluded financial agreements

Changes in international values of the Pound Sterling always reflected in the movement of the Canadian Dollar.

L. FAR-REACHING EFFEGT-Action by the British Government concerning the international value of the Pound is

Scattered

SHANGHAI, OCT. 28. BRAWLING NORTH-CHINA IS NO NEARER A SOLUTION OF ITS MANY POLITICAL-MILITARY PROBLEMS THAN

Chinese government troops have transports. United States Mar-It is understood that the Bul- ines were landed in those areas

to the railway linking Peiping Mr. Dalton's

fired upon three nights ago, one coach being riddled with bullets from rapid-fire guns. Chinese Communists are strongly placed at Chefoo where there to Russia and Britain that all could be fighting if the Central

Government decided to send troops to that area.

not help the nationalists. Roving bands have kept Shantung traffic at a standstill. The latest estimate of the rail traffic between Shanghai and North China that it will not open before Spring. Associated Press.

WHARVES DURING MONDAY UNLOADING SHIPS AS THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE the macuzines. DOCK WORKERS CONTINUED THEIR UNAUTHORIZED likeable but that the people were STRIKE.

. Representatives of 72 Singapore Press.

It is generally believed that, likely to have a far-reaching industrialization

in the Bretton-Woods Agree-, inflationary spiral and to main- and would accrue to her here after tain the purchasing power of should be allocated to India. or dollar value of currencies of which the most important is the have remained the sterling blocking countries. price level.-Reuter.

such an extent that their already enfeebled oconomy had been simply shattered.

In India too the strain of war on her economy had been considerable, as had been amply proved by the Bengal famine. Mr. Birla said: "India wants bo

less serious;

improve her standard of living. This is essential for squalor and poverty will always remain a danger to peace and prosperity." By naw, however, no hope of a bright future for India and for the raining of living of her people til question of her foreign assets was satisfactorily solved and capital goods were made available for her

BLOCKED ASSETS

bulletin states. "The rate of the Pound in terms and thus contribute appreciably

Comparing the pace of industrialisation in Canada and Australia with India, Mr. Birla saig. "India's vast potential resources

Asahi Story Plot Against Tojo

THE NEWSPAPER "ASAHI" DISCLOSED TO DAY THAT EX-PREMIER TOJO HAD OUTBLUFFED SENIOR STATESMEN AND RUYAL PRINCES WHO HAD PLOTTED HIS DOWNFALL

THE PAPER SAID THAT TOJO, IN THE STORMY AU-GUST, 1948, SESSION HAD BLOCKED THEIR PLAN TO FORCE HIS RESIGNATION AND ULTIMATELY OUST THE MILITARISTS.

Tojo had threatened to "carry on the war on my own responsibility," the "Asahi" reported, NEW and, according to this paper, the anti-Tojoists lacked the assurance to protest to the Emperor whereupon Tojo himself complained to Hirohito of the Princes' plot.

Seigo Nakano, Member of the House of Representatives and anti-Tojo leader. sequently committed suicide.

Other anti-Tojoists included Kuni Kaya and Konoye, Admiral Okada, Admiral Yonai Koki Hirota, all ex-Premiers.— Associated Press.

LONDON, OCT. 23. MR. HUGH DALTON IS THIS AFTERNOON TO IN-TRODUCE HIS FIRST BUD- radio, a smaller writing room

the new Chancellor of the Ex- and chips are available at reachequer had no room for sonable prices, and there is no manoeuvre or drastic tax con- membership or entrance fee. cessions. The country is still The club is open daily until spending thirteen million 9 p.m. pounds a day, of which eleven million pounds are absorbed by the fighting and supply services. —Reuter.

NO FILM FUNI

Brisbane, Oct. 23. American servicemen have return-BRITISH TROOPS AND ed from the United States, some JAPANESE PRISONERS saving that they were home-sick Dec. 21 and a date to be an-WORKED ON SINGAPORE'S and others disappointed because nounced later. America was not like what was represented in the movies and in A few said that America was

dreadfully selfish! -- Appociated

Shanghal, Oct. 23. ching.--Associated Press.

HONG KONG'S LATEST AMENITY FOR TROOPS IS THE ST. NICHOLAS CLUB, WHICH HAS JUST BEEN OPENED ON THE FOURTH FLOOR OF KING'S BUILD-ING, NEXT DOOR TO THE AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS AND ALMOST THE FERRY.

Managed and run by Father Meyer, an American who voluntarily remained at Stanley Camp during the occupation, the club-although a Catholic organisation will welcome men of all denominations, its sole, object being to provide a place rest and eat in comfort.

The club consists of a lounge and reading, room with a good and a large room which will hold 200 at a time for meals. It is generally conceded that Tea and cakes, eggs, fish, steak

London, Oct. 28. Military release dates for other ranks announced by the War Office are as follows: Group 21, November 12-21; Some fifty Australian brides of Group 22; Nov. 25-December 6; Group 23, Dec. 7-20: Group 24, Officers in Group 21 will be

released between November 12. and early January. Reuter.

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Official figures released yes-Even in these days of monetary astronomy that seems an enordonation to every Chinese man. woman and child in the Colony of \$8 per head per month. How long it is possible to go on at wice financing on a scale that obviously cannot be maintained assurance that Government's extreme generosity was not bebe overwhelming. Good rice, They fought a battle that was quality? If it is, there is little tion, however, appears alto-steamed full astern when they had gether too easy. Somewhere, finished. there's a nigger in the wood- In this weird back-water jungle. The Popular Republicans have pile, one that urgently wants combat, coastal forces had a new won easily 184 seats in the Assemcontrol may forward schodules (in digging out. Since, practically, function; entirely different to that bly which will have 622 members it would be disastrous to call an in the now legendary skirmishes from France and 64 from the ture, the more necessary it is at high speed, storles which

ALL NEW FILMS ARRIVING 4. Documents of title that can IN HONG KONG ARE TO HAVE shell in the swamp; the warfare be produced, on a statement CHINA FLEET CLUB THEAof the manner in which it TRE, BY ARRANGEMENT is proposed to prove interest. WITH THE R.N. FILM CEN

months. 6. Amounts received from It is intended to show films twice the Navy had struck again. Japanese Authorities on no-I daily, at the China Fleet Club Theatre as from Sunday and there Ramree, and for the slogging of Britain,

"Hollywood Canteen" and "The closest support in the history of New Zealand forces in Gallipoli

The Fleet Club theatre is available for ships' concerts or entertainments on application, to

may be able to allocate supervisors Palmer, of the Royal Marines, in the Japanese war the only subsequent work in the R.C.N. He the Pacific will assume the status Camp near Tokyo. He was there

The Banner Of Doom In Straits Of Walacca

It was late in November 1944 that the British Eastern Fleet, back again at its Coylon base after those bleak few months of defence from East Africa, was divided into two separate units, the more effectively to launch an all-out offensive against Japan and its co-prosperity sphere in South

Enst Asia. The sinking of the Tirpitz and

down the living costs of the It took its place alongside the food were wiped out remorselessly. mass of the Chinese population great American Fleets, which were A line of rising smoke along the the same time. of this Colony involves a sub-sidy far in excess of that com-driving a steel wedge towards the coast was the banner of doom. A week or so later the Fleet heart of Japan itself, a thrust be-the facts will explain the went down to listen, coldly, to monly believed. Exact totals tween the armoured belt of the somewhat meagre tonnage of ships peace talks by the Japanese, and enemy garrisoned islands. The sunk by British submarines in the on board the Sussex the warare difficult to compute, but it other was commanded by Admiral East Indies this last year; only stained, weeping Itagaki began the is safe to say that the daily Sir Arthur Power and was known 30,000. But it represents the 237 preliminaries, which ended in cost of supplying rice to the as the British East Indies Fleet. light craft which were destroyed. formal surrender in the Municipal been received. In addition, fairly public at 20 cents a catty is in It assumed virtual control of the There was nothing higger to hit. | Buildings at Singapore. the neighbourhood of \$140,000 waters of the East Indies and the The well-equipped ships of As a postscript is the story of amounts to nothing less than a lands East Indies were caught as sunk too quickly in the other it was urgently needed. relentlessly as any nut between ocean by the Americans. the crackers.

extreme. At regular intervals a later in May. British submarines the world." this rate must be a matter very task force of battleships and other much in the minds of the Exe- | heavy units including aircraft cutive. It represents social ser- carriers would roam the placid waters to the South of Sumatra and Java or to the west of the indefinitely. Only the complex from base, leaving a trail of des-Kra Isthmus, thousands of miles circumstances of the moment truction in the coastal area, among could possibly justify it. For the port installations, the radar that reason, we should feel far stations, the barracks, oil refineries happier about looking at the and airfields. In January this spectacle in a sort of dazed ad- year the heaviest attack was miration if there were more mounted against the important

ing seriously abused. Four and damaged 25 more. But these million dollars a month in order were only the more spectacular that the poor may eat can be episodes which by their size and equanimity. If, on the other famous ships involved, made the Specialists in Termite (White hand, any appreciable proportion of that formidable total is being diverted into the pockets the latest methods of black market apprairies it is of black market operators, it is back the enemy into the jungle to for exterminating White Ants, a matter demanding strictest die of disease, the smaller ships Have pleasure in announcing investigation and speedy re- of the Fleet had been constantly

> for some reason or other, can- even unlike anything that had therefore, revolves on a simple Japanese gun emplacements which second proposition by a 65 per-cent enough point, is the rice in the the Army could not reach satis. majority. possession of Government's factorily. The stories are told of agents, all of the same poor the destroyer that made fast to/a fort a few hundred yards away; by radical-socialists, have opposed more to be said. The good of two Indian sloops that fired quality black market rice that 3,700 rounds without stopping sells freely at 60 cents a catty into a green, impenetrable wall of _against the law—is smug-follage behind which a Japanese gled in to meet an understand- garrison was sheltering. The able demana. Such an explana- creeks were s onarrow that the ships were unable to turn. They

to ensure that we get full value tingled the mind. In the steamy chaungs of Burma there was none of the clean thrills of speed. This was the warfare of the assassin; a warfare chiefly of silence broken only by the sharp sudden chatter of an automatic All A weapon or the smack of a light

of the hair trigger. The M.L.'s which every night sailed noiselessly along the creeks would lie in wait, disguised under The new Air Commander-in-TRE, IT WAS ANNOUNCED bushes, for the river craft, filled Chief, South-East Asia, in place with Japanese, trying to carry of the late Air Chief Marshal Sir Steamer......: Marks One of the most important, the reinforcements and supplies to Trafford Leigh-Mallory, is Air and Nos.: Number and des- technicolour production of "Henry their forces isolated in another Marshal Sir Keith Park, who has leading role, will be arriving in range required open sights the Chief. Middle East Command, took over the island. Hong Kong in a few days. This whole river side would seem to Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, ation likely to assist in film has broken all London records flame and splinters on the water since January, 1944. and is still showing after 12 and burning debris blown on the In March, 1940, he became Air

> In the assaults on Akyab and brunt of the fighting in the Battle will be a change of programme offensive of the Arakan, buttle. He was born in 1892 at Thames, ships, cruisers, destroyers and New Zealand, and was educated in to 15-inch had i plastered the Japanese ashore with 23,000 shells in little over two months. In May the scaborne assault on Rangoon was successfully made with ninety per cent of the assault force com-For unlawful possession of two prising ships and landing craft sacks of cement, Choung Nin, was which were veterans of the North

> > -of-the British Blast Indies from Hong Kong Fleet was the Malacca strait, strategically the most important! Colonel J. M. T. F. Churchill,

REMARKABLE OPFI-CIAL STORY OF THE EXPLOITS OF THE EAST INDIES FLEET IN THE LAST YEAR OF THE WAR.

There were some long standing tons or so, which scraped the ed. The cruiser Sussex shot one injuries to soothe. Men of the very benches as they ran up the down almost off her gunwals. Royal Navy had never forgotten coast, so afraid were they of the Steaming to launch the biggest

saw it and called out the battle fleet and after macabre fight at midnight, illuminated by tropical lightening, destroyers sent it to the bottom. Tactical purists afterwards called it the "perfect destroyer action."

The last months of the war saw the appearance as a lost force of the Kamikaze Corps against the East Indies Fleet. An attack was Scharnhorst had so restored the The fleet succeeded to the extent made on a convoy of minesweepers balance of sea power in Europe of reducing Japanese shipping in and escorts off the Kra Isthmus that many major warships were this area to a state of medievalism; and one minesweeper was damagnow available for the Far East. fragile wooden craft of a score ed. Several planes were destroynow available for the Far East. fragile wooden craft of a score ed. Several planes were destroy-

the sinking of the Prince of Wales menace of the deeper water. Not air attack so far, the Prime and Repulse or the capture of that they were much safer close Minister's broadcast of the end of inshore. British pilots and sub- the war, halted a formidable One of these units, to be known, marines said they burned beauticarrier force somewhere off the terday reveal that Government's as the British Pacific Fleet, was fully. Whole convoys of them commendable effort to keep under Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser, carrying petrol, ammunition or letting fly a straight left and ing the future of the many graves,

n day or \$4,000,000 a month. Indian Ocean, an area of roughly Japan's pre-war merchant fleet the senior Japanese Officer who ten times the size of the North that had risked themselves in was asked to explain the presence Hospital and Argyle Street. Sen. Between these powerful for- these waters were a line of mel- of a large heap of decaying rubber ces, to which the R.A.F. added ancholy wrecks on the bottom, and somewhere near the wharf at mous figure, for on the basis of its considerable weight, the Japa- there was nothing to replace them Singapore. Two years ago, he a Chinese population of appro- nese in the plundered lands of either from stock or from the said, Tokyo gave the order it had ximately half a million, it Malaya, Siam and the Nether- building lines. They were being to be delieverd in Japan where Unit. On arrival this unit will ships tried to implement the order. The last challenge to the British Not one survived. "You are look-The deployment of the East blockade of the Malacca Strait ing, gentlemen," he said, "at the Indies Fleet was varied in the was made by a Nachi class cruiser most expensive heap of rubber in

General de Gaulle's Signal Triumph

PARIS, OCT. 23. THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION IN NINE YEARS HAS PLACED ALMOST AN UNQUALIFIED STAMP OF AP. PROVAL OF GENERAL DE GALLE'S PLANS FOUND FOR THE FOURTH REPUBLIC ON THE NEW CON-STITUTION DRAFTED BY-THE PEOPLES' CHOSEN REPRESENTATIVES.

contemplated with relative during and from the various THE ELECTION HAS DECIDED; ONE, THAT THE CON-STITUENT ASSEMBLY DESIGNATED AT YESTER-DAY'S POLLING SHOULD DRAFT A NEW CONSTITU-TION RATHER THAN ATTEMPT TO RE-BUILD THE GOVERNMENT ON THE 1885 DOCUMENT WHICH WAS THE FOUNDATION OF THE THIRD REPUBLIC.

Two, that Executive power be vested in the Provi ional Government during the seven WORE JAPS months of the Assembly sitting instead of the Assembly itself. ROUNDED-UP not be obtained from the offi-cial rice retailers. What they uncommon thing for the warships counted the issue has been carried have to offer is uniformly of to steam up river more than 20 by a majority of 96 per cent out poor grade. The question, miles from the sea to blast out of eleven million votes and the

The question of writing the new Constitution is supported by all General De Gaulle on the interim

government issue. The election saw the emergence of the socialistically-inclined resistance born out of the popular republican movement under the other group against whom sufleadership of Foreign Minister George Bidault who is considered up on maltreatment charges to close to General De Gaulle.

munists are assured of 151 seats. The vote is expected to reach 25 million.—Associated Press.

branches of trees would indicate Officer Commanding, No. 11. Group, Fighter Command, which bore the Court.

"BENNY" PROULX DECORATED

It.-Cmdr. B. A. Proulx, of the available. Royal Canadian Navy, who fought through the attack on Hong Kong volunteer Force and succeeded in escaping from the Colony after And they landed British and the Japanese occupation. has been to accompany claimants to make Wanchai Gap carrying the coment at the control has written a book on his escape of civilian correspondents. As on a forced labour draft in an iron

Army porsonnol. Associated to make sure the Japanese had a having taken over temporarily Arthur Ryan in Queen'd Road two years, etatloned in Icoland Press, the Press, the Press, the Press, the Board of the Board o

GENDARMES HAD A RUN DOWN "ON THE DOUBLE" YESTERDAY FROM SHAM- as possible should be sent to this tree while it lobbed shells into a parties but the communists, aided WAR CAMP TO THE PO. work of the Graves Registration POLICE PIER, KOWLOON, Unit on their arrival in the WHERE THEY WERE EM, Colony. This information should BARKED EN ROUTE TO this H.Q.

STANLEY PRISON. The contingent comprised anficient evidence has been drawn warrant this procedure. The Commandos provided escort.

A gradual weeding-out is taking place at Shamshuipo, where end to the subsidy at this junc-North Sea Those were gun fights challes have merged and have questionable status have also Japanese civilian internees of clinched 189 seats and the com- been transferred from Whitfield Barracks pending enquiries.

CAUGHT IN

TWO CHINESE GIRLS AND JAPANESE WERE ARREST- being cleared from their respec-ED ON MONDAY AS A RE- tive territories the liberated pri-SULT OF A RAID BY THE soners are assembled in transit POLICE ON NO. 2, MOSQUE camps in Singapore or Rangoon STREET, UPPER LEVELS. The girls were alleged to have command) and are thence reconcealed the Japanese on the patriated to India, Australia or V" with Laurence Olivier in the part of the jungle. When the been Air Officer Commanding-in- promises over since the British Great Britain.

girls, Yip Sau-ying, 19 and Yau been entirely cleared of British Wai-tuen, 17, will be brought Empire nationals while only 337

JAP CAUGHT AFTER THREE DAYS

from Whitfield Barracks was taken into custody by Comman- plicated by the political disorder do at Sheungshui in the New in French Indo-China and the Territories after being at liberty for three days. Details of they were scheduled for initial the escape and capture are not

Pearl Harbour, Oct. 23. The United States Fleet, Headquarters has announced that, Manila en route to Vancouver, Accused was seen by Lopl. Indian troops without casualty. decorated by both the Canadian effective from November 15th., all B.C., after having been, throughten a the Royal Marinen in During the last twelve months and British authorities for his war correspondents accredited to but the war, in a Japanese Prison suclated Press.

The War Department has dis- waterway in the Far East, But D.S.O., M.C., is at present com- imposed on Lai Kwong-wal, at the Royal Canadian Navy, was in San elosed that the two-million-mark if the Alles could not use it, a manding the garrison in Rowloon Summary Military Court yealer Francisco last April on a visit to has passed in the releasing of great part of the Fleet's work was as well as a Commando Brigade, day, for stealing \$17 from Mr. his family. He was, for more than

Stalln-Rumour

London, Oct. 23. Andrei Gromyko, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, in response to a question, said to-day that he had "no information to support" rumours that Josef Stalin is pravely ill. Gromyko is attending the United Nations executive committee meeting here.-Associated Press.

Sir,-Since the arrival of the are located all over the Island and Mainland.

So far the following action has been taken by this H.Q.:

1. A notice was put in all papers calling for information on accurate and complete plans and nominal rolls have been obtained of graves at Stanley, Bowen Road

2. South East Asia Command has been urgently requested to send to Hong Kong as soon as begin a systematic search of the whole area. They will endeavour to identify all graves found, take photographs, erect temporary crosses and as far as possible make a complete list of the graves of all Allied Services, men and women, who were killed in the

battle or died subsequently. When this unit has done everything possible, a decision will be made regarding the future of these graves and in all probability it will be decided that a suitable site or sites will be purchased, and central War Cemetries formed, as is being done in all countries where the Allies have fought in this war. This work is carried out by a Graves Concentration Unit in conjunction with the Imperial War Graves Commission who are ultimately responsible for the up-

keep of these cemetries. It should be realised that although there have been less;casualties in this war than the last, the work of these units has been made far harder by the fact that the fighting has taken place over a much more widespread area, and at considerable speed with the consequent difficulty of finding and marking graves. This was particularly emphasised in Burma where the fighting took place in very thick jungle during the Monsoons over vast areas. Search parties are still out there now looking for the graves of men who were killed over two years ago. In the meantime, as much in-

formation regarding war graves PRISONERS-OF. H.Q. which will speed up the WHERE THEY WERE EM- be addressed to Capt. Tietjen of

C. C. RIDDELL, Major, D.A.A.G., H.Q. Land Forces, Hong Kong.

RAPWI'S

An official statement from the South East Asia Command states: "By October 19th the R.A.P.W.I. organisation of South East Asia Command had seen 75,632 former prisoners and internees safely on

their way home. These persons had been assembled and despatched from camps all over South East. Asia and some of them came initially from places outside the command such as Shanghai and Manila. After (the two clearing centres of the

French Indo-China, Sumatra, It was understood that the Burma and the Andamons have the Summary Military remain in Java where the political situation has delayed the scheme, 79 in Siam, and 580 Indians in Malaya. Hong Kong still has 62 British and 840 Indians beside 370 other nationalities unevacuated.

In several of these territories a great number of French and Dutch remains but their future is com-Notherlands East Indies where

E. R. COULSON ON WAY TO VANCOUVER

Mr. E. R. Coulson, of the Hong Kong Dairy Farm & Cold Storage recently passed through

Three months hard labour was Lt.-Cmdr. Victor Glover, of the

Churchill Wischievous On Demobilisation

hesitation in saying they feel far

below what was both possible and

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to remain in the services, but he

strong supporter of the Bevin

Scheme. It must, however, be

on the assumption that the Japa-

BEVIN SCHEME

ing hundreds and hundreds of

thousands of men here out of pro-

must be maintained on a very

MR. ISAACS REPLIES

Labour, said that none of Mr.

Churchill's suggestions was new

to the Government, Mr. Isancs

considered Mr. Churchill's speech,

"most irresponsible and mis-

out of the services or to get them

out of temper with the present Government, I do not know."

ficution of the Bevin Scheme,

one in the forces if it were pos-

IRANIAN PREMIER

RESIGNS

Premier Muhsin Sadr who has

resigned his position as head of

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every extra day they were kept, to-day."-Reuter.

after the German surrender.

was assured that no plan had been

Mr. Churchill added that the

LONDON; OCT. 28; EX-PRIME MINISTER, MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, TO-DAY URGED BRITAIN'S LABOUR GOVERNMENT TO ACCELERATE THE DEMOBILISATION OF THE ARMED FORCES AND DECLARED: "THE TASK OF HOLDING GERMANY DOWN WILL NOT BE A HARD ONE. IT WILL BE MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TO HOLD HER UP."

MR. CHURCHILL TOLD THE HOUSE OF COMMONS THAT THE OCCUPATION OF GERMANY AND THE LOW COUNTRIES-SHOULD-REQUIRE-N-O MORE-THAN FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND TROOPS, WITH THE SAME NUMBER REQUIRED FOR THE MEDITER-RANEAN ZONE.

Mr. Churchill said that Gov. British Government on the subject rament figures up to June 30, and, even now that they had been 1946, proposed a reduction to markedly improved, he had no 1.156,000, but why should time be wasted in reaching that total. At December 31, there would still be 2,343,000 in the Army eight months after the men in all three forces ought to war with Germany had ended know now the conditions under Ifar too many. By energetic which they could continue in the methods the Government total services, or could transfer from should be reached at the end α

March, not end of June. He considered that Air Forc personnel should be reduced t 400,000 and not 819,000, which was the present plan up th December 31.

He was astonished that th figure of 665,000 for the mavy of December 31 had been accepte, by the Government. He knew no reason why the Navy should ex ceed prewar figures of 133,000 men and suggested a working figure of 150,000 should be taken.

BRITAIN'S NEEDS With a million in the United Kingdom, the ration strength of the army, 400,000 for the Royn Air Force and 150,000 for the Navy, there was a total 1,550,000 men, which he said should suffice for Britain's needs in the immediate future. understood that there would be 3,842,000 men in the forces of December 31, which in his view meant 2,250,000 redundant and surplus and these should not be retained a moment longer than that would be cheaper than keepwas necessary to bring them home or set them free if already home

He contended that the target nimed at should be 1,500,000 and that it should be reached earlier Mr. Churchill said he would be ashamed to have been responsible for the earliest declarations of the

U.S. STRIKE SITUATION

WORKERS

NEW YORK, OCT. 23. THE NATION'S STRIKE TO TAL WAS CUT ALMOST IN HALF TO-DAY, IN SPITE OF THE NEW LOOMING IN TEN CITIES WHERE THERE WAS A WALK-OUT OF GLASS

Some 216,000 coal miners re turned to the pits under the orders of their Chief, John Lewis, of the United Mine Workers Union. The returns and new disputes have left the totally idle in labour disputes at 217,400, men which number is slated to drop another 16,700 during the week

with the return of steel-workers. laid off because of the coal short-Others still idle include 61,700 Pacific Northwest Lumber Saw. mill workers, 2,700 bus drivers. 11,300 cotton and textile employees,

7,000 movie-men. Thirty-thousand West-Coast longshoremen have set October 29 as the strike date in the event of their wage demands not being met -- Associated Press.

ARGENTINE ELECTIONS

Buenos Aires, Oct. 22. The Argentine Government has expressed its willingness to advance the date of the elections previously set for April 7th, 1946,

7th, 1946.

The Minister of the Ininterior, Bartholomeo Descalzo,

The Minister of the Ininterior, Bartholomeo Descalzo,

ter, Sepahbodi, declare that the
Allies had agreed to withdraw all
troops from Iran by March 2nd. is reported to be calling in 1946 in accordance with the Trileaders of various political par- partite Treaty.-Associated Press. in all lines of our products:ties to discuss a new date and said that the Army, Navy and Air forces would "guarantee the elections by their presence at the voting places." - Associated Press.

AMERICAL DIVISION GOING. HOME

Tokyo, Oct. 23. The Americal Division, the only infantry unit formed overeas, is departing for the United States next month, after service' in Guadalcanal, Bougainville, Philippines and occupation in Japan,

Formed in New Caledonia, division was originally from National Guard Units,-Associated Press.

Tokyo, Oct. 23. .The newspaper "Asahi" has reported that five schools at Morioka, 322 miles north-east of Tokyo; have been suspended because of food shortage, with pupils, including primary gradors working to increase the Loodstuff production. Associnted Press.

Shanghai, Oct. 22.
The United States auxiliary with machine-guns along the Yangise River early this morning Restive after being heavily machinegunned from the shore near Chinkinng, about thirty five miles north-east of Nanking. The "Scize" suffered neither

casualties hor damage. When notified of the incident by the American Authorities, Genera Tang En-po, Commander-in-chief of the Shanghai-Nanking zone said that the area was full o Communists and promised to de his utmost to prevent a recurrence of the incident. - Reuter.

hostilities only to fulltime engagements. He was sure that many if offered the opportunity would wish to remain in the services but he made for them to continue voluntarily. He had always been a

London, Oct. 22. Woolwich Arsenal may become stated that this scheme was based the greatest factory in Southern nese war would continue on a England for the manufacture of great scale for at least 18 months, pre-fabricated housing parts if the plans of the newly-formed Committee of local interests are "Patience is a virtue," he said, accepted by the Authorities.

"but it would be a mistake to in- The Mayor of Woolwich, Counsist on a rigid application of the cillor Cherton. Chairman of the Bevin scheme in the changed cir. Committee, said: "We are putting cumstances of to-day. I am sure forward proposals to get work for that if the whole position were Woolwich Arsenal and to save explained to the Army and sub- discharges. We do not want it to stantial gayment were forth become partly redundant, as coming to those who were kept did after the last war, longer than their time, the men Arsenal could play a vital part in would understand and accept the the housing drive. Its engineering shops could manufacture all wangtao are striving vainly to Mr. Churchill added that if the the parts for pre-fabricated men were given double pay for houses, which are so much needed

Quebec, Oct. 23. The Labour member for Don-The Conference of the United caster intervened to ask Mr. Nations Food and Agriculture Churchill if he was not aware what he was now preaching had J day by Australia's representative, fuel .-- Associated Press. been condemned bell, book, and Mr. J. G. Crawford, that it would candle by the men in Burma, Mr. "be a mistake to ignore the possi-Churchill replied that however, bility of new surpluses" in farm that might be, he was saying what products and that the success or was now in the interest of the failure of the Conference "may well depend upon whether we can The Royal Air Force, he said, recommend some way to link surpluses with the needs of the underlarge scale, with about 4,000 nourished countries.

India's representative suggested that food should be sold at cheap Replying for the Government, prices to deficient countries with-Mr. George Isaacs, Minister of out competing in normal markets. Associated Press.

U.S. NAVAL VISIT **SINGAPORE**

Singapore, Oct. 23.
The U.S. battleships "Tennessee" and "California" headed the United States naval squadron which Mr. Isaacs added that any modi- entered Singapore to-day.

which would not destroy its fair warships to enter the Singapore basis, would be operated. The waters since the Japane Government would not keep any-der.—Associated Press. waters since the Japanese surron-

Officers and men of the British sible to take them out. He begged army and navy made elaborate that criticism should be based on plans for the reception of the a knowledge of the facts and not American navy and gave them a on surmise. Reuter and Associat- warm welcome.-Associated Press.

> Mr. F. J. Gellion, manager of the Macao Electric Light Company CATHAY THEATRE is in San Francisco and is hoping to return very shortly to Macao.

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Ottawa, Oct. 23. Establishing a now principle in the history of the British -Commonwealth of Nations-the-Government introduced in Parliament to depon bill to create a real "Canadian citizen," without altering in any way Canadians' old status as British subjects.—Associated

Doughboys

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Oct. 23, A group of American soldiers in the Philippines, describing themselves as "bewildered and bitter," sent a mineographed letter to a newspaper here asking the public to help them get home.

"We are bewildered," said the letter. "We've accomplished our purpose. Now we want to return to normal life. Many of us came over in cargo vessels; we would surely long to go home in them."-Associated Press.

Shanghal, Oct. 23. Lt.-Gen. George Stratemeyer told a news conference to-day: "We hope to get all Americans (troops) out of China by January 1." He declared: "The Japanese "HOLLYWOOD CANTEEN:" have played ball with us pretty well. There have been a few disturbances but they are rare."-- Associated Press.

Chinwangtao Coal Drive

Shanghai, Oct. 23. Chinese in Northern China are indifferent in the struggle between the Communists and the Nationalists, mainly worrying about the lack of coal as winter approaches,

Mine workers near Chinproduce sufficient coal for Shanghai and other major cities. Transportation is a vital factor and a possibility is seen that some fifty American! Liberty ships might be turned over to the Chinese Government in the near future for water Organisation was warned yester- movement of coal and other

> POISON GAS SHIPS TO BE SCUTTLED

Kiel, Oct. 23, One hundred thousand tons of German poison gas are to be sunk in the deepest part of the Skaggerrak-the arm of the North Sea between Denmark and Norway. The first convoy of four ships carrying gas shells have already left and two more will follow.

The ships, being obsolete, will be sunk with their cargoes. Reuter.

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DOCK STRIKE THREATS

LONDON, OCT. 23. UNOFFICIAL LEADERS OF BRITAIN'S DOCK STRIKE THREATENED THE GOV-ERNMENT TO-DAY WITH A GENERAL STRIKE AS THE COUNTRY'S MOST CRITI-FOR SALE at reasonable prices, call CAL DOCK WALK-OUT IN-20 -4 at HABADE, French Bank Building, YEARS SPREAD TO NEW PIERS.

The threat followed the bringing of 3,100 more soldiers into the dock area to unload critically needed food supplies. The reinforcements brought the total of

Some 1,800 more dockers joined the 7.000 already on strike in the London area, bringing the total throughout the country to nearly 50,000 men.

A large crowd of dockers. meeting in London this morn-ELECTRICAL SUPPLIERS & ing, heard their leader declare: "There can be no question of clated Press. HING KEE CO., 137, Des Vocux twelve or fifteen weeks. You are anxious to resume work, and deposed President has taken re. TAL PRINCIPLE OF THE I am anxious to start, too, my- fuge in the British Embassy in STATE." self, but we are only prepared Caracas, Venezuela. to return on our own terms. am warning the Government Health Minister, and his wife. that if they do not face up to

this national dock crisis within a month, there will be linked to it a great national crisis-and a worse strike than in 1926."-Reuter and Associated Press.

CAMP FOR JAPS IN PEIPING

Peiping, Oct. 23. YOUNG CHINESE SEEKS gan moving to a concentration COUP D'ETAT, IN A TUMUL. POSITION as clerk, shroff, or point in the Japanese-built TUOUS WEEK-END OF ARMall Japanese civilians in the others will be moved out later suffrage by secret ballot," -Associated Press.

> RESCUE PARTY'S CASUALTIES

Tokyo, Oct. 23. has reported that four members which is considered left of centre. of the Japanese rescue party The last major opposition has CHAN JAN SHING are dead and twenty two are missing in their hunt for an American plane which was forced down by a typhoon the Formosan mountains on Oct. 1st.—Associated Press.

"WERE WOLF" CAUGHT Luneberg, Germany, Oct. 23. Hans Colling, organizer of the Nazi leader of the Hitler Youth AROUND THE DATE WHEN London "Daily Herald." please gather in the dining-room Movement has been captured on a THE NEWLY NAMED COMof the Officers' Club, Gloucester farm near Luneberg, where he MITTEE SHOULD REPORT ON taste of the great majority of both was working as a labourer .- THE PEARL HARBOUR DIS- Jews and Arabs for any trouble Associated Press.

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Excitement In Venezuela

CARACAS, OCT. 23. ARMOURED SCOUT CARS CRUISED THE STREETS OF THIS REVOLUTION-SCARRED VENEZUELA CAPITAL TO-DAY, SEEKING A - FEW ISOLATED SNIPERS WHO STILL ARE OPPOSING THE NEW OFFICER-LED GOVERNMENT, WHICH ANNOUNCED "AT NOON TO-DAY THERE WAS NO RESISTANCE REPORTED FROM ANY PART OF VENEZUELA."

CROWD GATHERED IN FRONT OF THE MEXICAN EM-BASSY AND ATTEMPTED TO REMOVE DIEGO NULETE SAIDI, EX-GOVERNOR OF VENEZUELA'S CENTRAL DISTRICT, WHO FOUND REFUGE IN THE EMBASSY.

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perty.

The Mexican charge a trible sent the crowd away by telling them riflemen were concealed FRANCO'S The Mexican charge d'affaire

Later the crowd stoned the Dominican Legation and attempted to seize cars belonging to a member of the Colombian Embassy but were dissunded. A small crowd forced the Haiti charge d'affaires to place white fing atop his car.-Asso-

SEEKS REFUGE Caracas, Oct. 23.

With her is Senor Lairet, former President Medina, who was cap tured by revolutionaries during the recent revolution, has been transferred to the "model prison" in Caracas, Reuter,

CARACAS, OCT. 23. A NEW CABINET, ADAPT- that the government must be au-VENEZUELA UNDER THE sociated Press. SPONSORSHIP OF THE REVO-LUTIONARY JUNTA WHICH STAMPED OUT ALL IMPTRT Japanese civilians to-day be- ANT RESISTANCE, WITH ITS

the orders of Chinese Gen. Sun Romula Betencourt, former Lien-chung. Within a week newspaper columnist, assumed the dual role of President and Minister of the Interior, with a pledge western section estimated at that his government assumed 10,000, must move outside the power only to provide Venezuela gates. About 100,000 with "free and direct universal He promised the nation that he

would take an energetic part in preserving hemispheric unity. Betencourt, former Communist, who later renounced his party, installed his Cabinet dominated The Japanese War Ministry by the Democratic Action Party

ended.—Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, OCT. 23.

ASTER OF DECEMBER 7, 1941. that would disturb the country's mittee designated January 8, says that he has just visited the are preparing to ask for an exten- Kiryat Anavim in the mountains sion because it is contended that it would be impossible to make a fair report by such an early deadline.

Senate leaders said they believed the membership is willing but the idea is unpopular in the house, where Republicans refer to further delays as "stalling."-Associated Press.

Asahi

Tokyo, Oct. 23. monopoly system of economic control, as announced by the Finance to evade war responsibility.

The newspaper declared that Press. Zaibatsu did "their utmost to contribute to Japan's war - effort" and "that no one can rest assured that there is no danger of their embarking again in new war ventures at some opportune moment in the future.—Associated

AN END TO

Salt Lake City, Oct. 23, Mr. C. Borendson, New Zea- Philippines and in China. letterrate. land's representative in the United States, told the English-speaking Union that "if the white man done not carry his burden in the Pacific. another race will carry his coffin Fifteen million or so members of the white race cannot hope maintain a privileged "nosition among a billion people of other races. They cannot do it becaus it is not right," he concluded.-Associated Press.

> BRADMAN'S DECISION Adelaide, Oct. 23.

Cricket officials here to-day state that Don Bradman hat over to Belgium under lend-

MOSCOW, OCT. 23. EARLY RETURNS FROM THE MONGOLIAN PEOPLES REPUBLIC SHOWED UNANI-MOUS SUPPORT FOR NA-INDEPENDENCE THE TASS NEWS AGENC REPORTED.

The Outer Mongolians went to the polls on Saturday's plebiscite to determine whether the area will become independent or remain under Chinese suzerainty.

Tass reported that Ulmbat, the

capital city, voted 24,683 to nothing in favour of independence. The Hend of the Republic's Buddhist Church has proclaimed are informing Australia that, subprayers of thanksgiving, whilst ject to certain conditions, they will the people rejoice, dancing in the send a team to Australia in 1946-47 streets .- Associated Press.

GUSHING THANKS

Tass news agency, in a dispatch | ested aid in our cultural and economic development, and which respects our state's independence. prohibited except in "exceptional is the first that recognized the right of our people for an independent existence." — Associated dom of residence in national Press.

SAIGON SNIPING

Franco has stipulated, however, Salgon, Oct. 23. Sniping still continues though ED TO DEMOCRATIC IDEALS, thorised to abrogate all individual the situation is improving. British HAS TAKEN THE REINS OF rights in the event of a threat to and French troops are still comb-GOVERNMENT OF OIL-RICH the security of the State. As- ing the city for illegal possessors of arms.—Reuter.

Japanese Hankow Crime Uncovered

MADRID, OCT. 23.

GENERALISSIMO FRANCIS-

CO FRANCO HAS ISSUED A

DECREE GRANTING SPANI-ARDS FREEDOM OF ASSEM-

BLY AND ASSOCIATION PRO-

VIDING FREEDOM OF EX-

Illegal entry into homes is

The decree also establishes free-

territory, right to work, freedom

of enterprise and right to pro-

HANKOW, OCT. 23. THE CHARRED BODIES OF THREE AMERICAN AIR-MEN HAVE BEEN RECOVERED HERE AND AT LEAST ONE WAS BURNED ALIVE, WITNESSES

SAID. THE SURVIVORS OF A B-29 CRASH 50 MILES NORTH OF HANKOW WERE MARCHED MILES THROUGH HANKOW STREETS LAST DECEMBER 18, CLAD ONLY IN SHORT UNDERWEAR, AND WERE BEAT-EN, KICKED, REVILED AND TORTURED.

London, Oct. 23. Tension in Palestine has ease and there is a feeling among both Jews and Arabs that they could reach some agreement "if they A CONTROVERSY REVOLV- could be left alone", reports the abortive Werewolf movement and ED IN CONGRESS TO-DAY Jerusalem correspondent of the a stick.

Speaking of the "genuine dis Legislation naming the com- economic life," the correspondent 1946, but administration leaders Jewish collective settlement of

of Judea. "Overlooking it is an Arab vil lage and the two exist in perfec fraternisation with mutual visits. and the Arabs frequently consulting the Jewish medical officer." "but we look forward to the day when all arms will be in the pos-

Reuter. JAPANESE REPARATIONS Tokyo, Oct. 23,

session of the Government."-

An American reparations committee, including Owen Latinfluential newspaper timore as adviser, is coming to "Asahi" to-day alleged that the Tokyo. They are to investigate break-up of the Zaibatsu family what can be taken out of Japan while still leaving enough for Ministry, was 'merely a reorganisation in disguise" and an attempt ing it possible for Japan to lier match the Anson tenin had Mogarylog and an attempt ing it possible for Japan to lier match the Anson tenin had Mogarylog make war again. - Associated unfortunately lost several of their

> J. H. MARSMAN Mr. J. H. Marsman, chairman of San Francisco re-organising the various interests which he con-

He anticipates very large construction work in China and the Far East in general and already NVITATION has a large number of contracts for construction work in the

U.S. ARMY PLANE CRASHUS

mile wind as she attempted to

Washington, Oct. 22. The United States will turn -civilian uso. -Associated Press. ously Ill. - Associated Press.

superintendent of the Japanese- installed as quickly as possible, sponsored "model youth corps," who wanted to be known as a death march.

the crowd to beat them with of members, who are invited stick, spit on them and douse together with their friends. them with icy water. Witnesses said a Japanese

dressed as a Chinese civilian poked out one flier's eyes with

then turned our heads, it was so barbarous," said a witness. The is not without a mount. He may men were held in a school-house ride Dilawarji's stable comtanion, until late night, then were Sir Alfred Butt's Paper-weight. taker to the suburban crema- Dilawarji was recently eased torium. There, according to in his work and his scratching evidence in American intelli- was not unexpected .- Reuter. gence officers' hands, they were doused with gasoline and set

should resist if the police were to ates who were responsible "are Mary's tenth.—Associated Press. come there to search for arms. not here now but I am trying to get in touch with them and they will be strictly dealt with."

—Associated Press. ICOMMANDOS

The return soccer match between 44 R.M. Commandos and H. M. S. players due to demobilisation re- H.K.T.

In the first half, play was fairly even and 44 Commandes were only the board of Marsman (Hong two up at half time. The other 12.68 p.m .- Mozart Songa. Kong, China, Ltd.) and managing four goals came late in the second director of the extensive Marsman half when the Commandos showed interests in the Philippines, is in up fitter, and quicker on the ball. Goals were scored by Gresham (3) Simms (2) and Mellor.

London, Oct. 22. The Lawn Tennis Association has received a cable from the President of the Australian Lawn Tennis Association, Sir Norman Between twenty-two and twenty- for the Davis, International Cup five persons were killed when an in 1940 will be welcomed and inarmy transport-plane crashed in viting Britain to compete and to a swampy area and exploded manage the competition in Europe.

The plane was buffeted by a forty- These questions are being considered by the L.T.A. Council and land on her arrival from Cold, its decision will be announced in Bay in the Alcutians.-Associated the course of the next few weeks. -Reuter.

Charleston, W. Va., Cct. 23. The Red Cross is seeking Private definitely decided not to play in lease \$45,000,000 worth-of aur believed stationed in China, whose George Shingleton Jr., a marine

German Air Raid Losses

London, Oct. 28. About 250,000 German civilians were killed or missing in air raids between October 1940 and the end of January, 1945, a cording to German sources, Prime Minister Attlee re-Ported in the House of Com-

mons to-day. A further 100,000 are belicord to have been killed between February 1st and May 8th, 1945.

London, Oct. 23. The Marylebone Cricket Club and would welcome Australia to

England in 1948,-Reuter. The M.C.C. statement read: "The from Outer Mongolia, quoted M.C.C. are informing the Austra-Premier Marshal Choi Bol San as lian Board of Control that sub stating: "Our most sincere and lect to the concurrence of the PRESSION IF IT IS "NOT close friend, the Soviet union, Imperial Cricket Conference, they Senora Medina, wife of the AGAINST THE FUNDAMEN- which constantly gives us uninter- will be glad to go to Australia in 1946-47 if conditions permit and if satisfactory mutual arrangements on details can be made. Similarly, the M.C.C. will welcome a visit of the Australia team to England in 1948. The M.C.C. have been informed that all counties would welcome a visit from India in 1946 and are in communication with the Board of Control for cricket in India on the admin-

istrative problems to be faced." To-day's decision by the M.C.C. to send a team to Australia at the end of next year will be very popular in Australia, says Vernon Morgan, Reuter's Sports Editor. It means that England has one Summer left to find a team and the proposed visit of the Indiana should help considerably to collect the best talent available and wield them into a team.—Reuter.

A fair number of Chinese Recreation Club members turned up for the meeting to discuss ways and means of reviving the Club's activities.

The clubhouse has been damaged but is still serviceable and the tennis courts will soon be ready for play. A telephone Reliable witnesses said the and other facilities are to be

Mr. S. W. Liang, the Horn Secretary, writing to the strong taskmaster, inspired the "China Mail" yesterday, said that the old No. 1 Boy, Ah Japanese gendarmes exhorted Sheung, is still at the service

DILAWARJI SCRATCHED

London, Oct. 22. The Aga Khan's Dilawarji, one "Most of us looked briefly, of the best backed Cambridgeshire candidates, has been scratched,

New York, Oct. 23. The weekly noll toll of football teams placed the Army first. Notre Gen. Nasaburo Okabe, the Ja- Dame second. Navy third. Purduo panese commander in the Han- fourth. Minnesota fifth. Alabama Leading members of the Jewish kow area, informed the Ameri- sixth. Pennsylvania seventh. Insettlement told him that they can officers that his subordin- diana eighth. Texas ninth and St.

> London, Oct. 28, The Marylebone Cricket Club states that the English countries would welcome a wight of a team from India in 1946 .- Reuter.

WEDNESDAY, OOTOBER 24th, 1945. Anson at Kai Tak on Monday, Frequencies of 690 Kilocycles and from

19.80 p.m.—Haydn—"Surprise" Sym-

1.00 p.m.-Nows & Announcements. 1.10 p.m.—Rubins cin Flaving Chopin.

1.80 p.m .- A Danco Programmo. 2.00 p.m.-Close Down.

6.80 n.m. Dan'e Music by Harry Roy & His On bestra. 7.00 p.m .- News & Announcements. 7.10 p.m .- Light Orches ral Selections.

7.80 pm -Brahms Concerto No. 1 in D Minor. 8.19 p.m -Tchaikowsky-"Casto Noioto" Bulto.

8.42 p.m .- Targon & Waltzon. 9.00 p.m. -- News & Announcements.

0.10 p.m. - Danco & Varioty. 10.00 p.m .- Nows from Lordon. 10.05 p.m .- Haydu-"Fatowell" Bym-

10.80 p.m. _ Close Down.

Printed and published for the Proprietors, The Newspaper any more test matches.—Rou- plus army goods needed for four-month-old daughter is sort. James - Kratts, Windsor House,